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## Our Football Millennium.

"Oh, now, forever, Farewell the tranquil mind! farewell content! Farewell the plumed troop, and the big wars, That make ambition virtue! Oh, farewell!

Auburn's football season is at an end, and the grand, the matchless, team of '97 is already a hallowed memory of the past. Perpetual, impenetrable gloom shrouds both battle field and campus, and like one mourning for some dear departed comrade the boys sadly congregate and talk in melancholy tones of the huge, overmastering catastrophe.

University of Georgia, we extend to you, your worthy football team, and friends, our earnest sympathy for the loss—the irreparable loss—you have suffered in the untimely death of your beloved fellow student and football player, our football team condole with you.

Without the Thanksgiving Day game with Athens, the Auburn season is a failure; its chiefest charm is gone, and all incentive absent—Hamlet, without Hamlet. Win all our other games and lose the Georgia and all is still lost; but lose all others and win from Georgia and everything is won!

Well, Georgia, is out of it, and not our fault—nor hers either, be it understood; and though we may have the championship if we wish it, 'tis a barren honor, and the crown is without its brightest jewel.

Could we have the championship? Beyond all the furthestmost bounds of doubt the answer must be "yes." Such a team as the Auburn team of '97 the South has never seen before; may never see again. That the team, eight of whom had been in training but a bare three weeks, were unable, after a terrific struggle and hard earned victory of the day before, to do more with Sewanee than make a score of 0 to 0, when the latter team had been playing a full seven weeks; were in the pink condition; had seen our game the day before; had their coach for an official—who, with a refreshing regularity took the ball from us whenever we reached their fifteen yard line, on such transparent technicalities as that the backs were not five yards back, and who frankly acknowledged after the game that he had no intention of letting us score if we played all night; when, again, the Sewaneeites were over 100 per cent stronger (we admit it) than last year, and caught us after a six hundred mile journey and on their own "rock-ribb" hill, defending their very hearthstone—this, I say, is no argument to the contrary. Nay, it but emphasizes our claim to greatness. Had not Nashville already defeated Sewanee? and did we not administer a decisive defeat to Nashville the day before? Given fair conditions and we will beat them an easy 18 to 0.

As for Vanderbilt she is even

now afraid to play Nashville, and is most likely to be beaten by Sewanee. True, she has scored a number of victories—over the little Kentucky colleges, 'Vandy' is picking out all the weak teams she can find. We rest easy on what would have happened had we played them. After the first half of our Nashville game, the Vanderbilt captain and players went home to practice.

And there was Georgia. Too bad, too bad! We are sorry for her, and for ourselves. But we could have beaten her? Why? Because we had a heavier team, a faster running team, a more experienced, more harmonious team; because we had last year's defeat to wipe out, we had a better spirit and a greater determination, and because it was our year to win. Yes, we think that Georgia believes it also.

What a fine feeling of brotherly companionship had sprung up among the Varsity boys—the best fellows in the world! all animated with but one thought; swayed by one only purpose—the championship of the South. Confident of their ability, yet not conceitedly, they were playing with that irresistible rush so inimicable to Auburn teams, and this year matchless when played by old, experienced men, and big ones at that. Auburn football is a synonym for good football, and this year it would have been Championship ball.

But—with the Thanksgiving Day game cancelled, we had no method of liquidating expenses—and there we are. No other game would do; rather, the chances were that we should lose still more. By Thanksgiving day the debts would be double what they now are, with no means of paying them off. What was to be done?

The team could but disband. Can you give any other solution? The captain, the coach, the manager, the advisory board, studied and planned and pondered. In vain! there was seen no other alternative, and this grand team, with against eating every man's heart out, was forced to succumb to the inevitable and mournfully, fly its banner at half-mast.

But the Auburn season of '97 honorably dead—as one of the fellows put it—there remained for the boys honorable to bury it; and they did it! Such a meeting as that held in the chapel the fifth hour on Tuesday last, finds no parallel in Auburn history. Every man there felt himself and the others, brothers in adversity. The fine, chivalrous Auburn spirit came right to the front, and when the leaders ceased speaking—as indeed, their tears soon compelled them—no man there but was touched to his hearts bottom, and no man but stood up for the convictions that had been brought home to him, by draining his pocket book of its very last dregs, to help out the team, the manager, the

coach, and the advisory board, as loyal sons of Auburn always have done and always will do.

How much? Five hundred dollars at least, and that, too, after they had already subscribed most liberally, after they knew the team had to disband, knew the Georgia game was off, and that they would not see a single game this year. It was nobly done!

Some gave twenty-five dollars apiece, dozens gave ten dollars, and scores gave five, while every man gave what he could. Practically the association is cleared from debt. What remains can easily be paid by entertainments, and the way has been left free and dear for those who are to come after us.

Let it be said in passing that our Buford Hobdy is the best and most efficient manager ever any Auburn athletic team possessed. Always working for the team, always hustling and planning, eager for suggestions, willing to make personal sacrifices, and prompt to act, he made a model manager—the right man in the right place. Three cheers for Hobdy!

Are athletics abolished or to be abolished at Auburn? By no means. We are disbanding not because of demoralization, but because our Athens game is gone, and our funds are too low to carry on the season. In the spring there will still be a baseball and a track team, this winter the class games will still be played and next year Auburn will be found once more on deck as serene, as smiling and powerful as ever. The prestige we have gained must not be lost. Shall we go back to the days of hazing and dissipation? No, let us hold fast to a good thing—athletics. Accidents must happen in all games—football has really less than others; but no more of that now: we feel as bad as Georgia herself.

But, sirs, while the team of '97 has disbanded, think not that it has perished. No; the boys could not bear to see that splendid band of comradeship, that bound them all in its warm, tight clasp shattered and destroyed, with all its clinging clustering memories and associations relegated to a cold, obscure oblivion, they will still live on, more than college mates and friends, more than mere players of the glorious team of '97; they live on—members of the 'Auburn Club of the '97 Football Team.

On Wednesday Nov. 3rd this club was organized; its members composed of the regulars and subs of the team of '97; its objects the perpetuation of good fellowship and the self-imposed duty to render aid and assistance to future Auburn athletics. Three years from last Commencement, the club is to hold a reunion at Auburn. A program will be arranged by the Executive Committee and space for representation in the Glomerata will be asked for. A circulation correspondence letter has been agreed

upon, and many other pleasing features arranged for. In the light of all of this who shall say the team of '97 was not a unit.

Prematurely is our season at an end; but with sincerity none the less we have to thank, over and over, the friends who have stood by us in every adversity. We thank our beloved President and faculty who have so generously encouraged us from time to time and aided us with their wise counsels.

No more is to be said; time alone can precipitate the unsettled and unsolved future into tangibility and definitiveness.

## Auburn vs. Nashville, 14-4.

Owing to the lack of notes it is impossible to give a detailed account of this game, so will mention some of the more prominent features.

The ball was kicked off by Nashville and brought to the middle of the field by Auburn. We then carried it to Nashville's fifteen yard line and lost it on a fumble. From the start both teams played a bucking game, and for the first ten minutes were quite evenly matched. But our superior training and strength gradually gained the ascendancy, although the Nashville boys put up a gallant fight until the referee's whistle blew for the last time.

Our entire team put up a good, steady, cool game, the most brilliant features being the plays of Wills, Glover and Jackson, mentioned elsewhere in these columns.

Penton proved himself a jewel, never failing to make a gain when given the ball, and equally strong in defensive work. Another feature of Penton's playing is that he never loses his head, temper or spirits, and continually encourages the team by his stimulating remarks.

"Blondy" and Pearce played their usual strong game, always having openings ready for the man with the ball. Pearce was put out of the game in the second half, for striking Harvey. Harvey struck him first and Pearce promptly handed it back to him, but had the misfortune to be seen by the umpire.

Fletcher Harvey, our big guard of by-gone years, played a superb game, being the best man on the Nashville team. His play was characterized by perhaps more than necessary roughness, but as our boys can "do unto others as others do unto them," he got considerably the worst of it. However, no hard feelings were felt, and "Fletch" accompanied us to Sewanee and did all he could to assist us.

The only feature of the game to be regretted is the touchdown by Nashville. We had the ball nearly to their goal posts when we lost it on a fumble. One of the Nashville backs then took it, and skirted our left end. Billie Wills made a flying tackle, and to escape being thrown, the man with the ball ran at least two yards out of bounds being finally tackled by Abernathy

on our 10 yard line. Unfortunately, when this run was made the umpire and referee were both on the opposite of the field, and neither saw the man run out of bounds. There is no use to cry over spilt milk, so we had to accept the 4 points against us with the best grace possible. Our score would have been larger, but owing to a strong wind that was blowing Holcombe missed two very difficult goals.

Before concluding will state that the entire team desires to express their thanks to Captain Walker for his courteous treatment. He, coach Duffey, and Harvey accompanied us to Sewanee and assisted us as much as possible.

## Class Games.

Since we no longer have a Varsity football team, and all games with other colleges have been cancelled, a series of class games has been arranged to take place during this month.

The team officers and coaches are as follows:

### SENIOR CLASS.

J. C. Abernethy, captain.  
G. O. Dickey, manager.  
J. L. Glenn and W. D. Wills, coaches.

### JUNIOR CLASS.

G. M. Wheeler, captain.  
J. O. Rush, manager.  
G. N. Mitcham, coach.

### SOPHOMORE CLASS.

J. H. Glover, captain.  
J. G. Marcum, manager.  
J. W. Culver, coach.

### FRESHMAN CLASS.

E. D. Huguley, captain.  
H. A. Skeggs, manager.  
John Purifoy, coach.

The captains and managers are prominent players in their respective classes, while the coaches are Varsity men.

The games will be under the supervision of the Athletic Advisory Board, and the proceeds will go towards discharging the football debt.

The first game, scheduled for November 13, is between the Sophomores and Freshmen; the Seniors and Juniors will play on November 20, and the championship will be decided on Thanksgiving Day. Season tickets will be sold and every man in college is expected to see the games.

## Accessions to the Library.

The following works have been added to the library during the past week;—Murray, New English Dictionary, on Historical Principles, vol. 3- D and E; Statesman Year book for 1897; H. D. Traill, Social England, vol. 6, from Waterloo to the General Election of 1885; G. W. Steven, Land of the Dollar; Frazer, British India; John Esten Cooke, Virginia Comedians; A. B. Hart, American History as Told by Contemporaries vol. 7, The Era of Colonization; M. E. Francis, Among Untrodden Ways; Robert Cochrane, The Romance of Industry and Invention; J. MacDonald Oxley, The Romance of Commerce.



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### Auburn's Tribute.

The University of Georgia and the Alabama Polytechnic Institute have always been rivals; but it has been an honest rivalry, and each has ever been ready to "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesars." Sewanee might read a silent lesson in the following article entitled "Auburn's Tribute," clipped from the "Red and Black," published by the Georgia boys:

#### AUBURN'S TRIBUTE.

Among the many beautiful floral offerings that were placed upon the grave of Von Gammon, was one that was beautiful indeed. But far more beautiful than the flowers that constructed this offering was the spirit that prompted its sender. It was Auburn's floral offering to Georgia's dead boy.

Our hearts go out in sincere appreciation to the Auburn boys. Their kindness and sympathy is fully appreciated by the University, as well as by the friends and relatives of Von Gammon throughout the state.

The relation between our colleges has always been pleasant. But the warm sympathy exhibited by Auburn in our hour of grief will serve to strengthen the ties that have bound us so close in the past.

ROME, GA., Nov. 7, 1897.  
Captain Football Team, Auburn, Ala.:

Dear Sir—Please be assured of the appreciation by the family, the friends, and the college mates of Von Gammon of your sympathy for his tragic death, as expressed by the handsome floral design sent by your team.

Coming from a rival team, it showed that generous spirit of sorrow for one we all loved. Such acts give us renewed faith in Southern manhood and comradeship. The emblem was placed a conspicuous position and was shown with pride. It was particularly gratifying to the young men of his own University.

Yours with respect,  
ROSALIND B. GAMMON,  
(Von's Mother.)  
To Auburn Football Team, Auburn, Ala.

On Monday morning the grave and honorable council of aldermen of the famous city of Atlanta got up early and proceeded to make an interesting tableau of itself. Indeed, the reverend body hardly managed to get on its pants and swallow its breakfast, so wild was it to get in a scoop on that

other worthy aggregation of patriots and wise men; the Georgia legislature. The race was as to who should first set its August seat upon, and smash into Smithereens, the sport of football, and the city council, be it acknowledged, took the red rag of hysterics off the bush.

Really such a frantic outbreak of virtue we have rarely seen. Now we have all due regard for those in authority, and above all we are profoundly moved at the deplorable accident that so fatally marred the Virginia-Georgia game, but in truth and soberness these city fathers have turned tragedy into comedy by their spasm of goodness.

The unfortunate accident was confessedly, purely an accident. Why, then, prohibit altogether this time honored sport? For centuries it has been the game of all English schools and colleges, and is in many respects the most enjoyable and the best of all games or sports. Of course, some danger attends a man if he gets both legs six inches off the ground. He may fall on his head. There is scarcely a family in Atlanta that cannot bear witness to accidents and death from hunting. Why not prohibit the use of the bird gun? Of late we have seen that open-air public speaking has led to an untimely grave such splendid men as Henry Grady, Senator Earle of South Carolina, and Henry George of New York. Why not prohibit open-air public speaking? And in view of the trolley-car accident why not prohibit the running of electric cars? In case of some sad mishap in the University gymnasium we sincerely hope that the Atlanta council will not recommend that the building be leveled with the ground and the apparatus torn into fragments.

Meantime, the Georgia legislature seeing the ridiculous spectacle of the city council saws wood and does nothing towards forbidding the great game.

### AUBURN 0, SEWANEE 0.

IN A CRIPPLED AND STARVED CONDITION OUR GIANTS HOLD THE MOUNTAINERS TO A TIE.

And We Will Never go There Any More.

Yes, we have been to Sewanee and the regret we have, since we were fools enough to go, is that we cannot say something good of its people. To use the words of the Sewanee people our "treatment was a little short of abominable", not only did this treatment last during the game but from the moment we entered the little town until we were clear of its bounds.

To begin with we had traveled six hundred miles, played Nashville a hard game the day before and with a team in the very worst condition imaginable arrived in Sewanee at 2:30 P.M. without dinner. We were hurried to our dinners and there found awaiting us, not such a meal as is necessary to appease a foot ball man's appetite, but a cold spread of water, tooth-picks, and rice. A request was made by Auburn's manager to manager Hogue of the Sewanee team that dinner be given the men at the training table. This request was made early in the morning en-route from Nashville to Sewanee giving manager Hogue ample time to wire

the request had he desired to do so. It seems that he knew our men were in a very bad condition and feared that a good meal would set them straight. Therefore he replied to the request by saying that they had no training table and that dinner would be served at private houses, and right here let us say that the ladies of these houses were as pleasing as possible and we thank them for it but foot ball men cannot live on pleasant speeches.

Has Sewanee a training table? Yes! and this statement is made from the fact that more than one of their men speak of one Davis who had been fired from the team because he refused to go to the training table. Now Brothers why couldn't you take us there? The question needs no answer. We know too well. You claim to be a hospitable people, then why should you have growled and fumed because we brought two Auburn men with us and they ate with you. What else could they have done, you have a hotel upon your rock. Perhaps the kick came because you wanted as few as possible to see the shabby treatment you were inflicting and were sorry that visitors were along who could make a report.

We have a better team than Sewanee and had we played them the day before while in good condition backed up by a square meal, the score would have been far different. But any man with reason who will consider the circumstances under which we entered the game and who knows what a man's physical condition must be to play a hard game of football can but see that we were contending against great disadvantages.

Did we not defeat the University of Nashville in a score of 14 to 4? And had not Nashville already defeated Sewanee 6 to 5? Doesn't this clearly prove that we have by far the stronger team? Anyway, the Auburnites are champion over Sewanee for the second successive year.

"Auburn played a clean game," so says the Sewanee people. We went to your town with that intention, also expecting to be treated as gentlemen. But oh! how our expectations do fail us sometimes. We feel that it is unnecessary to mention the dirty acts that the Sewanee team engaged in, such as kicking a man while on ground, kneeling him etc. Our men are old enough to take care of themselves and you may rest assured they will not lie still and suffer any imposition. No; not even from Sewanee. You admit we played a clean game. Can you conscientiously say that Sewanee did the same?

We did not care whether or not the customary cheers for the visitors were omitted, but it does seem that we might have been respectably toasted and not hissed and hooted when we offered, not our yells, but three cheers for Sewanee. And to quote from the Purple again, these hoots and hisses were not the work of the Grammar School boys, but of the whole body of students, both men and boys. Don't for a moment think you hurt our feelings. For it is not so. We are merely sorry for you, for not having a better knowledge of politeness. We are raised better down here. And when gentlemen visit us, they leave knowing that they have visited gentlemen.

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Miss Lida Lane, one of Auburn's most popular society young ladies, has gone on a visit to Richmond, Va., where she will remain until next spring, much to the regret of her many Auburn friends.

"Subscribe to The Orange and Blue." "Orange and Blue! how can paper be Orange and Blue at the same time.

We are glad to learn that "Snap" Collins is improving from his long spell of sickness—Hurry up "Snap" and let us see you again.

For a pleasant, refreshing smoke try one of Bragaw's cigars.

F. L. Whitman '06 is playing grand on the Vanderbilt foot ball team.

R. B. Hall 1900 of Macon, Ga., was initiated into the Kappa Alpha Fraternity, Friday night October 29.

Jackson will handle every far fruit cakes.

Prof. B. B. Ross and Dr. J. T. Anderson returned last Saturday from Washington, D. C., where they have been attending a convention of Official Agricultural Chemists.

Jackson has just received a fresh lot of cakes.

H. H. Smith '95 after refugeeing in Auburn for several weeks, left Thursday for Brewton, Ala., to resume his duties in his school which re-opened on Monday November 8.

Pecans 8 cents per pound at Kandy Kitchen.

Prof. McKissick has received for the Electrical Department a donation from the Stanley Electric Co., Pittsfield, Mass., of a one-horse power induction motor latest style. Harry Orr special '96 has a position with this company and it was through him the donation was made.

Bragaw keeps a full line of college stationery.

It is reported that Miss Lucile Mitchell is quite sick with fever.

For the best soda water in the city go to Bragaw's.

If you would enjoy a hearty laugh attend chapel exercises some Saturday morning when the Sophomores declaim. It is downright amusing to watch these would-be Demosthenes tremble in their shoes, while their faces take on a ghostly hue, as they tell you in a quavering voice—"That a soldier of the Legion lay dying in Algiers"—or hurl forth in stentorian tones the announcement that, "He never smiled again," or pipe forth in a voice as mild as a morning in May, "Furl that banner!" Come out and hear it, it cost you nothing, therefore you will get your money's worth.

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Robert S. Parker a member of last year's Junior class is spending the fall and winter in Waynesville, N. C. where he is tutor in a very pleasant family.

Bragaw is going to keep a full line of confectionery goods.

Mr. R. J. Trammell takes long bicycle rides out into the country, whither no one knows.

New lot of apples will arrive this week at Jackson's.

Thursday-evening of last week Mrs. O. D. Smith, Misses Allie Glenn and Bessie Broun attended the concert in Opelika given for the benefit of the Presbyterian church.

Every student should subscribe for the college paper.

Twenty-three Sophomores stood an examination in Tactics last Saturday for Corporal's place. It is said that only 13 out of the 23 made passes.

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Sewanee raises a howl over Captain Stokes' ruling in the game. Yes! Bill Stokes is our captain and we are proud of him. He did his duty as umpire and referee conscientiously, and not a man in college will hear anything to the contrary. We know him, and know that he does his duty at all times to the best of his ability.

Why did Stokes umpire? Just simply because we could find no one else to do it for us. He was proposed and urged by the Sewanee coach, captain and manager. Stokes positively refused for a time but was finally prevailed upon to officiate. Sewanee put in Coach Jayne. These two were to alternate as umpire and referee, Stokes umpiring the first half.

The first decision that caused any kick was in the first part of the game, when Wilder makes his first quarterback kick. Holcombe catches the ball, Simkins lays hand on it, whereupon Coach Jayne gets in his first rotten decision and gives the ball over to Sewanee. This he afterwards admits was a wrong decision. But then he will have to be excused as he was so prostrated that Auburn's plucky little quarterback had solved in the very beginning of the game his brag play.

It seems that Sewanee's great kick comes upon the decision of Stokes in the first half, when they worked the quarterback kick, Bolling falling on the ball behind the line, Sewanee claiming a touch-down, and it would have been a score for them had the man who secured the ball been back of the ball when it was kicked, but it was not so. The moment the ball was snapped, the men not waiting for the kick, sped down field, being some eight or ten yards from the quarter when he made his kick, and of course clearly off-side. Captain Stokes begins at once to blow his whistle and call the men back, but Sewanee refuses to hear and secures the ball before an Auburn man touches it. Isn't this clearly an off-side play? If you think not then read your rules and you will find that when the ball is kicked, to be on side, a man must be back of the line upon which the ball was kicked, not back of the line when snapped. Anyway, from the Purple's account of the game Bolling, their left tackle, secured the ball; this statement in itself proves an off-side play, for how can a line man from the formation Sewanee uses be on side in such a play. Had

an Auburn man either laid hands on the ball, or been touched by it then Sewanee would have had a right to it, but most positively such was not the case. It would have helped Sewanee's cause so much more had it been possible for one of their backs to have fallen on the ball. But even in a newspaper account the truth will sometimes out.

Poor Central, you have our most profound sympathy. We know how you must have been treated. But then don't fret about it. Just make up your mind as we do, that the next season will find on your schedule only such teams as know how to conduct themselves while with gentlemen. So you too were hissed. Well, it has been said that "only two things hiss, namely—snakes and geese," and such being the case, perhaps it would be well for us to send some of our scientists to that mountain in Tennessee for we have evidently found ————.

Sewanee says that during the greater part of the first half the ball was in Auburn's territory and so it was, but were we not playing up hill. Now an honest confession is good for the soul. Whose territory was the ball in during the whole of the second half? If we are not badly mistaken it hovered on your fifteen yard line the whole time, and this too was while Coach Jayne was umpiring.

We have given what can't be denied to be a clear and justifiable explanation of what you call "Stokes' rotten decision." Now what about Coach Jayne? You have but to read the Purple's account of the game to see that at every critical moment in the game while the ball was in Auburn's possession, your coach never failed to give the ball over to Sewanee for such reasons as that Auburn's backs were not five yards behind the line, or holding in line. Anything to get the ball, no matter how flimsy and unreasonable the excuse. No wonder you insisted so persistently upon his officiating in the game. Sewanee, you have a jewel in Jayne. You say that Stokes' decisions are rotten. Rest assured that it would take far more sodium chloride to preserve the carcass of one Jayne than a dozen Bill Stokes. By the way who made this remark after the game, "I wouldn't have let you scored had you played forever?" Ah; my brothers be sure you are right at home before you set up such a mighty yell, or else, as in this case, your own defense may show the foulness of your Tennessee rock.

In the last issue of the Sewanee Purple was published an article headed "Hoist by his own Petard." It seems that some one has been able to persuade the honest editor, who so openly admitted our "abominable treatment," and who in more than one place spoke in such high terms of the clean game we played, to publish such an incorrect statement, as that one of Auburn's players should have attempted to disfigure the "handsome physiognomy" of a Sewanee man by attempting to mash his face upon the rock.

In the first place there is only one place where the bare rock crops out, and it will be remembered that a ground rule was agreed upon to this effect that whenever the ball was downed upon this

rock that it should be moved from it. Now was there ever cause for the ball to be removed? Not once. Of course Coach Jayne tried to pretend once that such was the case, and his reason was to throw the ball to the middle of the field in order that a drop kick might be tried for goal, but Walter Holcombe saw through his design in a twinkling and had him to remeasure his fifteen yards and deposit the ball not on the rock but three yards clear of it. This is positively the nearest the ball ever came to the rock. Sewanee again was forced to make a statement. Not an Auburn man has a "sore fist." Had we attempted such a thing as the Purple alleges it would be found to Sewanee's regret that Auburn men never miss their mark.

Here's to Captain Stokes. We all know that you were honest in everything you did Billy. And nothing can make us believe to the contrary.

Owing to the lack of space a detailed account of the game cannot be given. But suffice it to say that the boys played hard ball, the best they could under the circumstances. Sewanee couldn't score and in the words of Coach Jayne "Auburn would not have been allowed to score had we been playing until now." Auburn you have every right to feel proud of your Varsity for it is the greatest team ever brought together in the South.

Goodbye Sewanee, if ever Auburn comes to your mountain home again, you may rest assured that we will bring a lunch and come expecting to be treated ungenerally in every respect.

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# COLLEGE NEWS.

At the University of Texas young women make up one-fourth the total number of students.

The average weight of the line of Princeton's football team is 209 pounds.

A full blooded Indian is a member of Harvard's freshman class.

The cost of improvements on the athletic field of Wesleyan University will be about \$30,000.

Thomas W. Stanford, brother of the late Leland Stanford, having made several millions in Australia, has recently given \$300,000 to the Leland Stanford, Jr., University, for the erection of a building.

Ex-Senator Sawyer, of Wisconsin, has given \$25,000 of the \$60,000, necessary for a public library in Oshkosh, Wis.

There are twenty schools and twenty-three teachers in Alaska.

The will of Miss Julia A. Lockwood, of Norwalk, Conn., leaves \$5,000 to Yale University to found the Lockwood scholarship.

Dr. S. K. Pearsons, of Chicago, has presented a new building known as Emerson Hall, to Beloit college. It will be three stories high and contain quarters for fifty students, reception and drawing rooms, a dining room and a gymnasium. The cost will be \$30,000.

The rich Presbyterians of the country have set on foot a plan to raise \$20,000,000 as an endowment fund for Westminster University, Denver, Colo. The Rev. J. Richley Smith, of Poughkeepsie, has been engaged as president at a salary of \$10,000. The plan of the University will embrace the best features of Yale, Harvard and Chicago.

President Emeritus, General G. W. C. Lee, has presented a \$6,000 scholarship to Washington and Lee University.

On account of yellow fever, Tulane University Louisiana State University, University of Mississippi, and many other schools throughout the south, have not opened, and will not open until after frost comes.

The oldest and most famous of Boston's private schools, Chauncy Hall, has just entered on its 70th year. It was founded in 1828 by Gideon Thayer.

The report of the Commissioner of Education gives the number of pupils enrolled for 1895-6 in the public schools of the United States as 15,997,197. Expenditures for school purposes amounted to \$184,453,780.

The State University of California received an appropriation of \$250,000 from the last state legislature.

Figures showing the amount of property owned by fraternities at leading colleges are astonishing, as the following shows; The property owned by such societies, at Amherst is \$200,000; Cornell, \$475,000; Harvard, \$125,000; Williams, \$350,000; Wesleyan, \$125,000; Yale, \$300,000.

At Brown University the number of students who belong to fraternities is 49 per cent.; Ann Arbor, 24 per cent.; Cornell, 33 per cent.; University of Virginia, 48 per cent.; Johns Hopkins, 46 per cent.; Wisconsin, 22 per cent.; Pennsylvania, 31 per cent.; Wes-

leyan, 70 per cent.; California, 14 per cent.

At Amherst college a prize of \$500 is offered to the best prepared member of the freshman class classical division, and one of \$300 to the best prepared member of the scientific division freshman class.

Henry Williams Sage, president of the board of trustees of Cornell University, who died last September, gave to Cornell University fully \$2,000,000 in buildings and money. Besides this he endowed a lectureship at Yale, and built for West Bay City, Mich., a \$30,000 library.

David H. Munro, of Camillus, has been elected to Cornell College University.

By the will of Charles T. Wilder, of Wellesley, \$10,000 each is left to Roberts College, at Constantino; Colorado College, at Colorado Springs; Whitman College, at Walla Walla, and Carleton College, Northfield, Mass. Kimball Academy, Meriden, N. H., gets \$5,000 and Mount Hermon School for Boys, at Northfield, Mass., \$10,000. \$15,000 is given to Amherst for an observatory, and Dartmouth receives \$75,000, most of which will be spent on the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

## Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

On last Sunday the Y. M. C. A. had the pleasure of listening to a very profitable talk by Dr. C. A. Cary, upon "The Common Things of Life." We appreciate the interest the faculty takes in our work and hope, from time to time to see them around at our meetings.

We are glad to be able to report a good attendance at our regular meetings. Three-fourths of the members of the "Devotional Bible Class" are new men. This means a great deal for the future of the Association in the A. P. I. Other boys might as well fall into line, for the Association is alive.

On Sunday, the 21st of November, there will be a public meeting of the Association in one of the churches of Auburn. We hope to see all the cadets and every man and woman in the town present at this meeting.

It seems to be a difficult thing for some of the boys to understand the objects and aims of the Association. We stand for a well-rounded, well-developed manhood. We would discountenance every act that would not receive the approval of our God, and we would extend to our brother a helping hand.

There is an impression among some boys that the members of the Y. M. C. A. are not the fortunate possessors of any great amount of college spirit. Well, I believe it is the truth that none of the present officers are capable of making a "wild smash" through the line of any opposing team, but to be sure there are no other men in college who would cheer louder to see a "Varsity" man do it.

We are members of the Y. M. C. A., and as such, we try to live up to its principles; therefore we are not much given to speculation. But we do find ourselves sometimes trying to guess at the excuses that will be made to their parents by boys who have come from Christian homes and have failed to join our Association. With all the admira-

tion of our hearts we look upon a manly man who stands up for his principles, but with all the compassion of our hearts do we pity a moral coward.

## The Last Lecture.

Professor Alexander Bondurant, of the University of Mississippi, entertained an appreciative audience last Saturday night in the college chapel by delivering a lecture on "Social Life in Rome."

He introduced his lecture by quoting from the letter of Younger Pliny, describing the eruption of Vesuvius, which destroyed the cities of Herculaneum and Pompeii. His picture was full of descriptions of the Roman social and home life—a life of luxurious comfort—as shown by the condition of things after the excavations which restored these cities. He showed how closely the Romans interwove their own life with their belief in the gods.

His lecture was not a mere abstract recountal of the existing customs of that age, but was rather a description of their habits and customs and religion portrayed by thrilling anecdotes of the men of that time, leaving his audience, by means of fellow feeling which has taught us to realize that human nature is the same the world over, to judge for themselves what their natures were; and thus he showed them that the Romans of the time of Pliny were not so different from the Americans of today, for they, as we, had their games, their chase, their ball, their marbles, their endless sports, their feasts; and best of all, their loves.

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